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In re Patent Application of:

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Examiner: Y. Kim

For: PROCESS FOR IN VITRO CREATION OF RECOMBINANT  
POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES BY ORIENTED LIGATION

**AMENDMENT**  
**FOLLOWING OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 30, 2003**

**Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment**

Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a two-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2003. With the extension, the time for response is extended to December 30, 2003. A check in the amount of \$210.00 is attached herewith to cover the two-month extension of time fee. Applicant believes that no additional fees are necessary. However, in the event of any variance between the amount enclosed and the fees determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.